

Mission Incident  
Santa Paula, CA  
Preliminary Summary of Air Monitoring Results  
January 9, 2015

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## Introduction

Center for Toxicology and Environmental Health, LLC (CTEH®) continued air monitoring in support of response activities following a vacuum truck explosion and fire in Santa Paula, CA.

This submittal summarizes air monitoring data for January 9, 2015 07:00 to January 9, 2015 15:00.

Air monitoring was discontinued at the end of this period as emergency-phase work operations were completed. Unified command will officially stand down as of 06:00 on 1/10/2015 and demobilization efforts will begin.

## Real-time Air Monitoring

All instrumentation was calibrated at least once per day or per manufacturer's recommendations. Manually-logged real-time air monitoring was conducted for chlorine ( $\text{Cl}_2$ ), hydrogen sulfide ( $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ ), percent of the Lower Explosive Limit (LEL), oxygen ( $\text{O}_2$ ), particulate matter (10 micron particles,  $\text{PM}_{10}$ ), sulfur dioxide ( $\text{SO}_2$ ), and volatile organic compounds (VOCs), with instruments such as Gastec® pumps with chemical-specific colorimetric tubes, RAESystems® MultiRAE Plus and MultiRAE Pro PID with chemical-specific sensors, and TSI® AM510s for particulate matter. Monitoring was conducted by CTEH® personnel in the work area and along the perimeter of the facility in the community near the adjacent agricultural fields. Table 1 summarizes monitoring data for manually-logged real-time readings. Maps including the site location, fixed community real-time air monitoring locations, aerial site photo, and roaming monitoring are included in Appendix A. Real-time air monitoring with handheld instruments was discontinued at approximately 12:00 on 1/9/2015 with the completion of emergency phase work operations.

CTEH® monitored RAESystems® AreaRAE units with a ProRAE Guardian system at four locations on the fence line of the facility within the work area. Additional units (Unit 10 and Unit 11) were also deployed. Unit 10 was deployed in the cab of an excavator supporting waste removal operations. Unit 11 was deployed along the fence line of the facility between the 120 barrel tank truck and Mission Rock Road (primarily to monitor  $\text{Cl}_2$  concentrations near the tank truck). AreaRAE units were equipped with sensors to detect  $\text{Cl}_2$ , VOCs, LEL,  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ , and  $\text{SO}_2$ . Table 2 summarizes monitoring data for AreaRAE monitoring. AreaRAE graphs displaying real-time air monitoring data as well as 15-minute rolling averages and a map depicting AreaRAE locations are included in Appendix B. Real-time air monitoring with a ProRAE Guardian system was discontinued at approximately 12:15 on 1/9/2015 with the completion of emergency phase work operations.

Particulate monitors were collocated with AreaRAE units 01, 02, 03, and 04 and data-logged to monitor  $\text{PM}_{10}$ . An additional unit was logged in the cab of an excavator supporting waste removal operations. Table 3 summarizes data-logged particulate monitoring data. Particulate monitoring with data-logging AM510s was discontinued at approximately 14:45 on 1/9/2015 with the completion of emergency phase work operations and the final site walkthrough by the EPA.

Table 1: Manually-Logged Real-Time Air Monitoring Summary<sup>1</sup>  
January 9, 2015 07:00 – January 9, 2015 12:00

Location Category	Analyte	Instrument	No. of Readings	No. of Detections	Avg. of Detections	Detection Range <sup>2</sup>
Work Area	Cl <sub>2</sub>	MR+ / MR Pro	5	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	H <sub>2</sub> S	MR+ / MR Pro	3	0	NA	< 1 ppm
	LEL	MR+ / MR Pro	5	0	NA	< 1 %
	O <sub>2</sub>	MR+ / MR Pro	1	1	20.9	20.9 - 20.9 %
	PM <sub>10</sub>	AM510/Dusttrak	3	3	0.061	0.019 - 0.137 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
	SO <sub>2</sub>	MR+ / MR Pro	5	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	MR+ / MR Pro	5	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm

<sup>1</sup>Note: The data set displayed here has not undergone complete QA/QC analysis and is presented in a preliminary format.

<sup>2</sup>Maximum detections preceded by the "<" symbol are considered non-detects below reporting limit to the right

Table 2: AreaRAE Air Monitoring Summary<sup>1</sup>  
January 9, 2015 07:00 – January 9, 2015 12:15

Unit ID	Analyte	No. of Readings	No. of Detections	Avg. of Detections	Detection Range <sup>2</sup>
Unit 01	H <sub>2</sub> S	1210	0	NA	< 1 ppm
	LEL	1210	0	NA	< 1 %
	SO <sub>2</sub>	1210	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	1210	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
Unit 02	H <sub>2</sub> S	1199	5	0.1 ppm	0.1 - 0.1 ppm
	LEL	1199	0	NA	< 1 %
	SO <sub>2</sub>	1199	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	1199	518	0.1 ppm	0.1 - 0.2 ppm
Unit 03	H <sub>2</sub> S	1208	34	0.1 ppm	0.1 - 0.1 ppm
	LEL	1208	0	NA	< 1 %
	SO <sub>2</sub>	1208	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	1208	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
Unit 04	H <sub>2</sub> S	1000	0	NA	< 1 ppm
	LEL	1000	0	NA	< 1 %
	SO <sub>2</sub>	1000	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	1000	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
Unit 10	Cl <sub>2</sub>	438	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	LEL	438	0	NA	< 1 %
	SO <sub>2</sub>	438	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	438	356	0.2 ppm	0.1 - 0.4 ppm
Unit 11	Cl <sub>2</sub>	1210	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	SO <sub>2</sub>	1210	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm
	VOC	1210	0	NA	< 0.1 ppm

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Table 3: AM510 PM<sub>10</sub> Monitoring Summary<sup>1</sup>  
January 9, 2015 07:00 – January 9, 2015 14:45

Serial No.	Location	No. of Readings	No. of Detections	Avg. Detection	Detection Range
<b>11005015</b>	AR01	1434	1434	0.032	0.011 - 0.322 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>10503020</b>	AR02	1762	1762	0.043	0.010 - 0.222 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>10704075</b>	AR03	1806	1806	0.035	0.012 - 0.286 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>10601073</b>	AR04	1737	1737	0.027	0.011 - 0.893 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>10704070</b>	Excavator 200D (AR10)	531	531	0.012	0.001 - 0.718 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

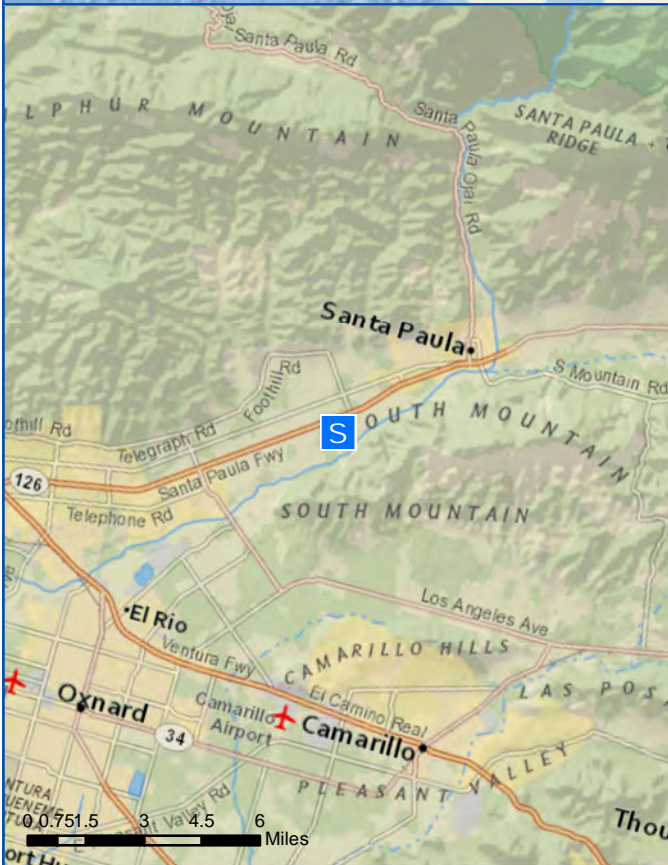
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# Appendix A

## Incident Maps:

### Real-Time Air Monitoring Locations and Incident Site





**Legend**  
 Site Location



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Feet







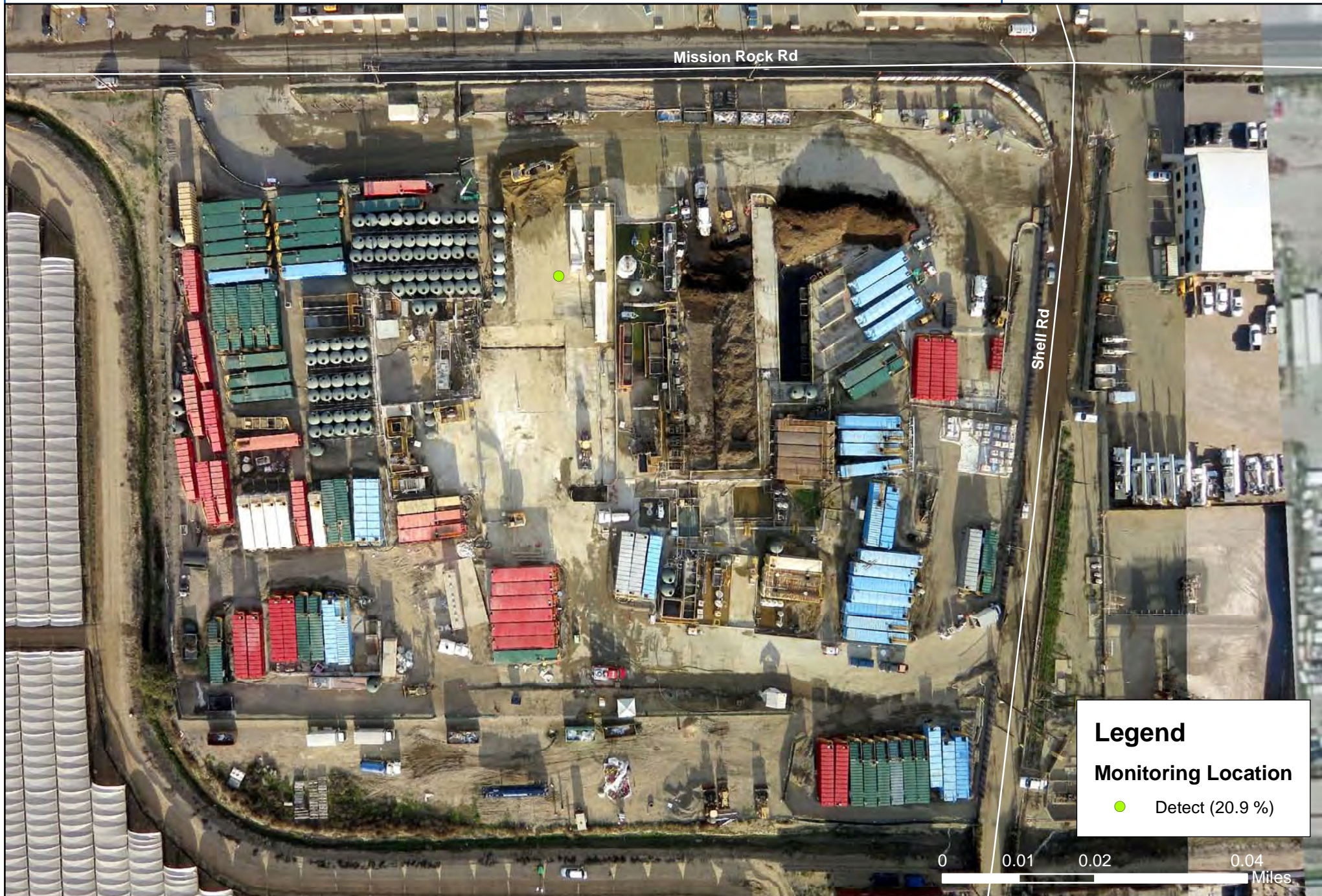












## Legend

### Monitoring Location

● Detect (20.9 %)











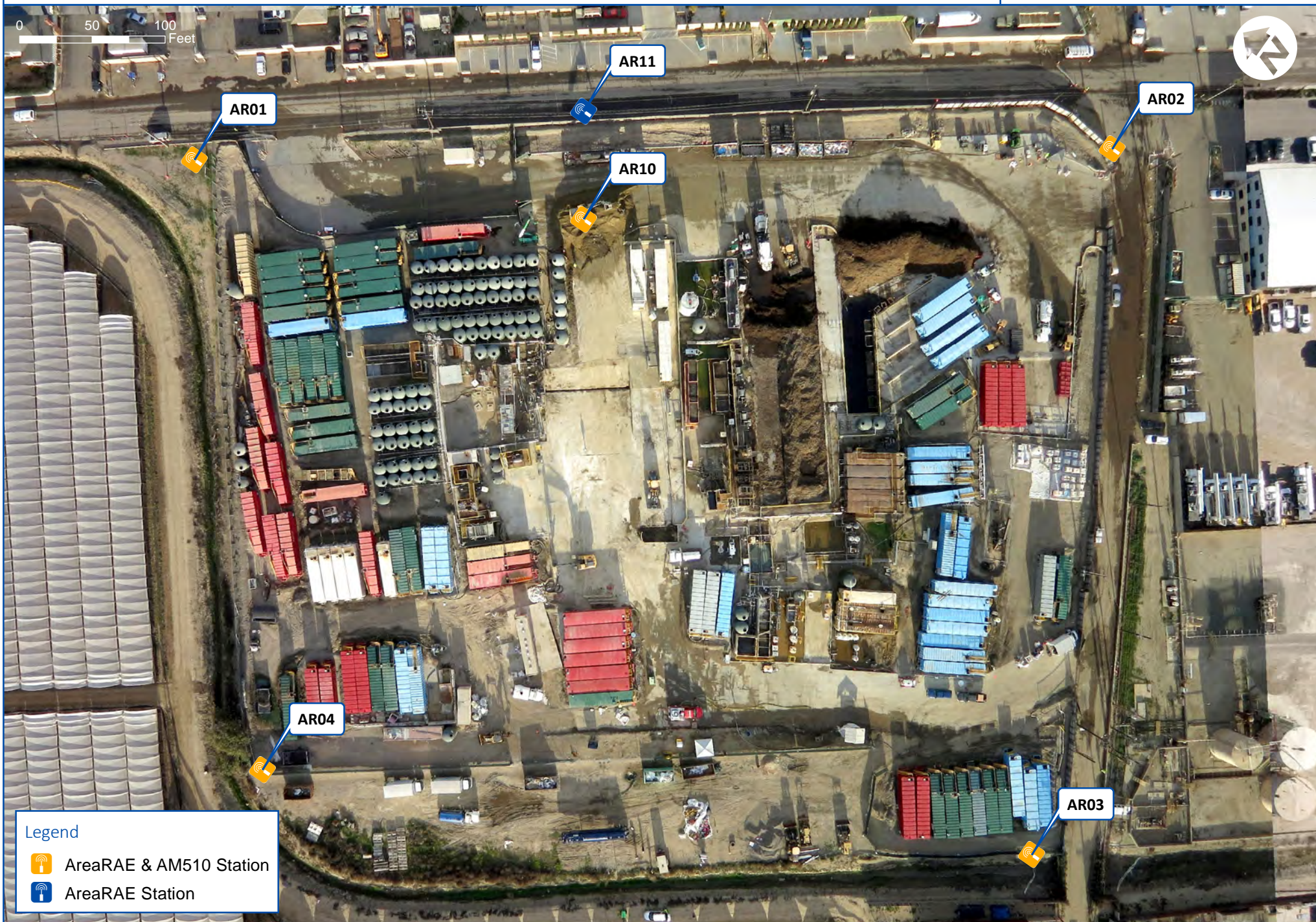




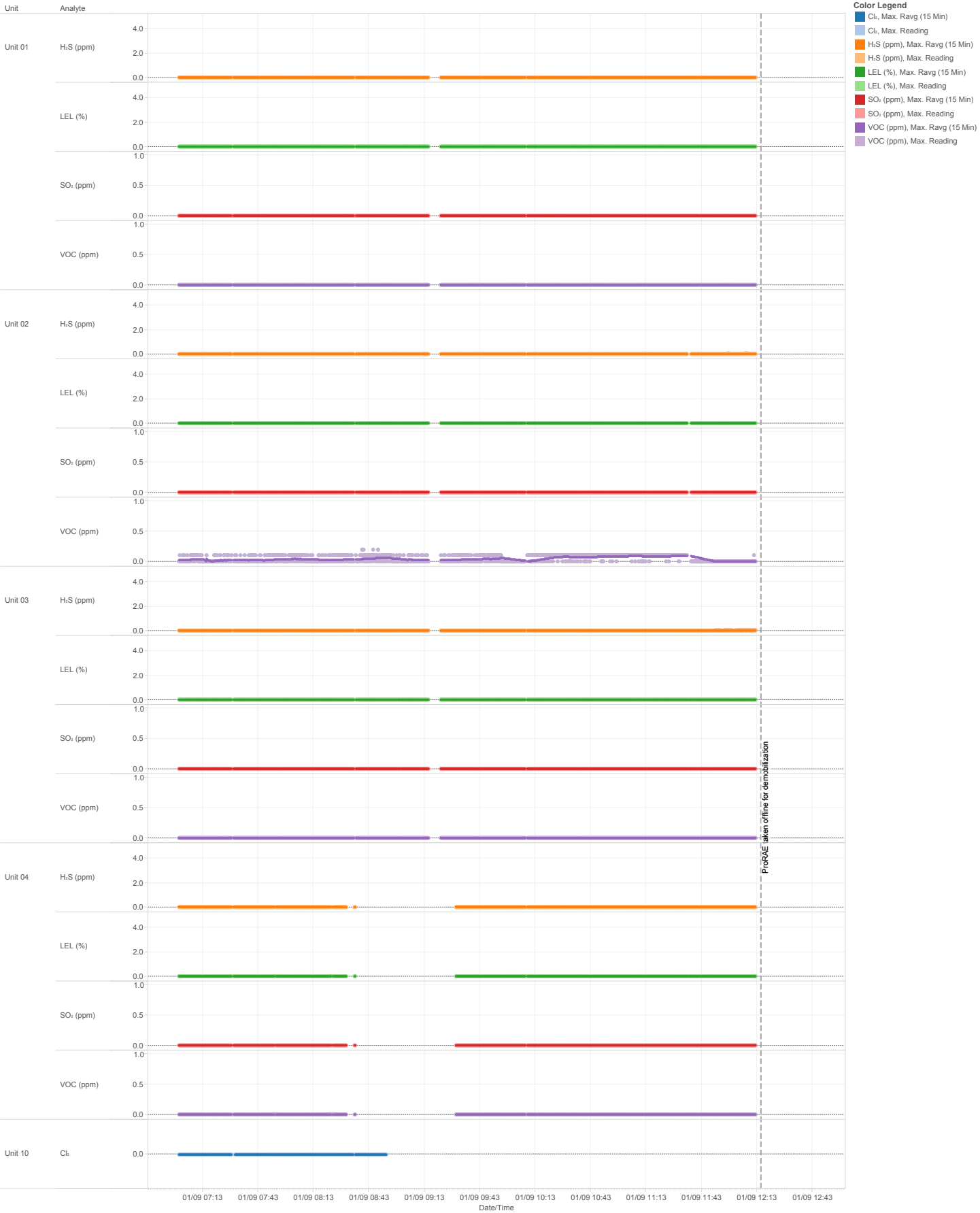
# Appendix B:

## AreaRAE Trend Graphs, AM510 Trend Graphs, and Location Map



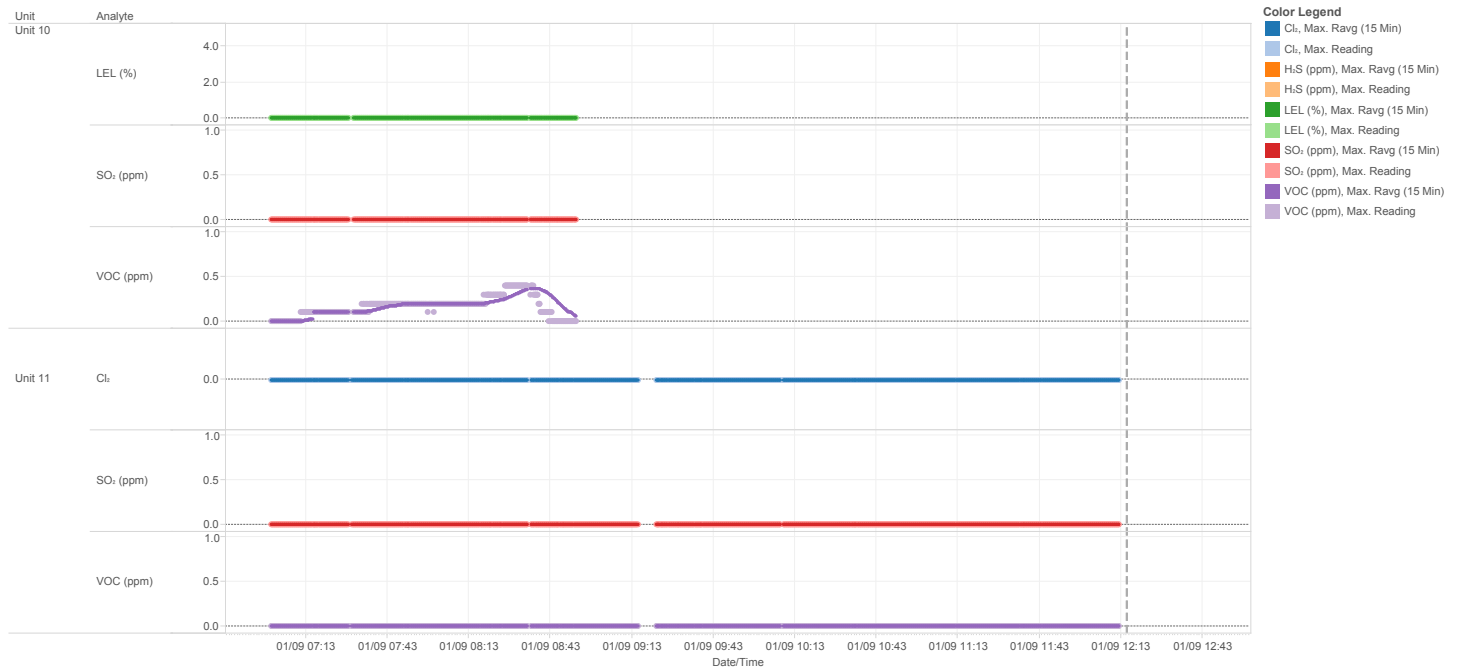






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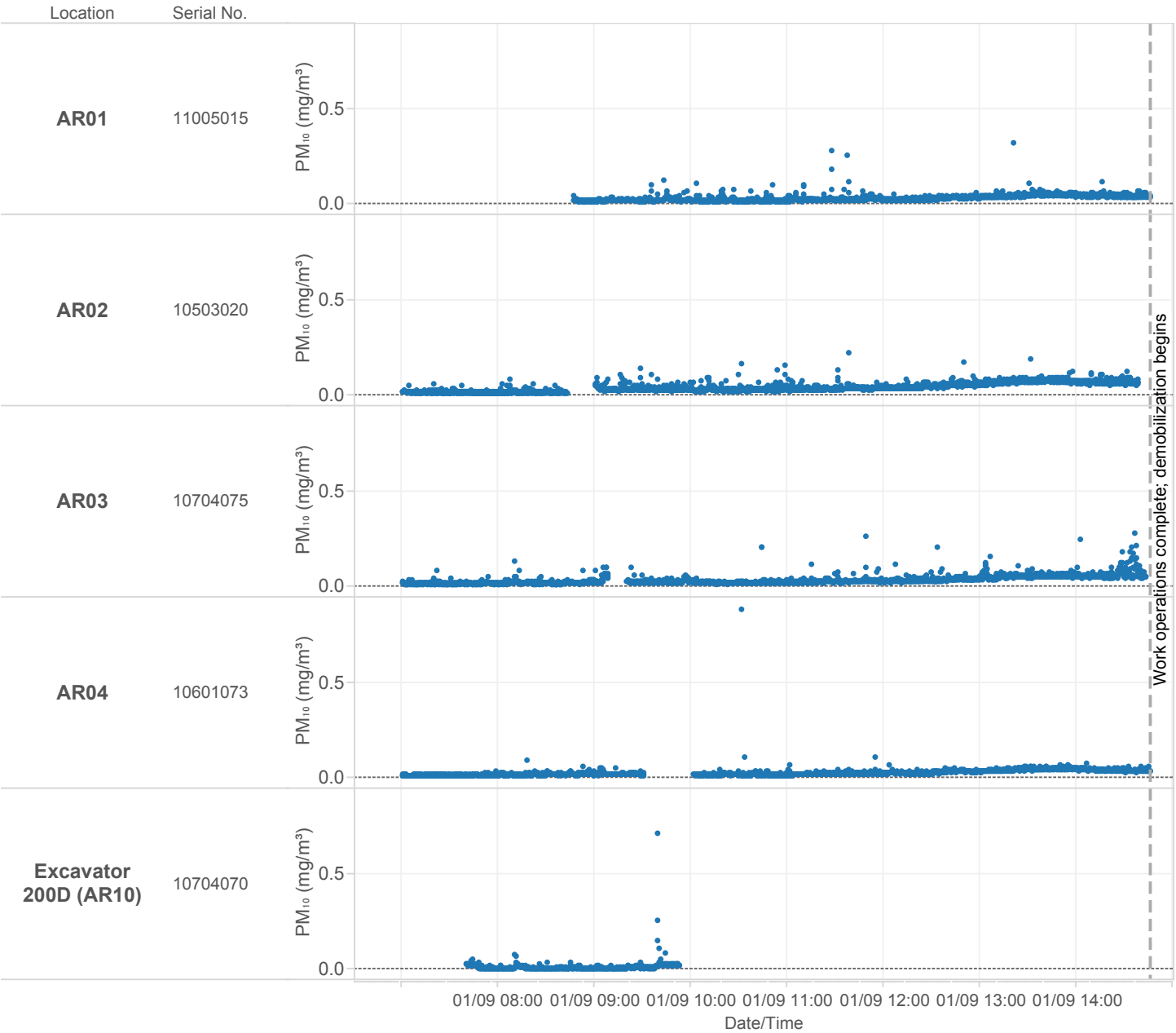
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AreaRAE Trend Graphs  
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